Exhibit "A"

Plaintiff's Complaint

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DISTRICT COURT CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

CYNTHIA JONES-BATES, a, an Individual; Plaintiff.

v.

WAL-MART STORES, INC., a Delaware Corporation doing business as WAL-MART; DOES I-X; unknown persons; and ROE Corporations I-X:

Defendants.

Case No.: Dept. No.:

COMPLAINT

CAUSES OF ACTION: (1) Negligence

COMES NOW, Plaintiff CYNTHIA JONES-BATES ("Plaintiff" and "BATES"), by and through her attorney of record, Ryan Alexander, Esq., as and for her Complaint against Defendants WAL-MART STORES, INC., a Delaware Corporation, DOES I through X, inclusive, and ROE CORPORATIONS I-X, inclusive (collectively, "Defendants"), and hereby complains, alleges and states as follows:

PARTIES

- 1. Plaintiff CYNTHIA JONES-BATES is an individual who resides in Clark County, Nevada.
- 2. Defendant WAL-MART STORES, INC. is a Delaware Corporation doing business as WALMART in Clark County, Nevada.
- 3. The true names and capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate or otherwise of other Defendant hereinafter designated as DOES I-X, inclusive, and/or ROE CORPORATIONS I-X, inclusive, who are in some manner responsible for injuries described herein, are unknown at this time. Plaintiff, therefore, sues said Defendant by such fictitious names and will seek leave of the Court to amend this Complaint to show their true names and capacities when ascertained.
- 4. Upon information and belief, at all times pertinent, Defendant were agents, servants, employees or joint ventures of every other Defendant herein, and at all time mentioned hereinafter were acting

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within the scope and course of said agency, employment, or joint venture, with knowledge and permission and consent of all other Defendants.

5. The Defendants are jointly and severally liable for each defendant's actions.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 6. Venue is proper in Clark County, Nevada pursuant to NRS 13.040.
- 7. The exercise of jurisdiction by this Court over each Defendant in this civil action is proper pursuant to NRS 14.065.
- 8. The incident for which Plaintiffs complains and for which Defendants are liable arises out of negligence of WALMART in Clark County, Nevada.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 9. Defendant WAL-MART owns, operates, manages and controls the premises and building known as WALMART NEIGHBORHOOD MARKET ("WALMART"), at 6151 W Lake Mead Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89108.
- 10. At all the times hereinafter mentioned, the defendant WALMART was in control of the management of said retail store and was held out to the public by the Defendant as the "proprietor" thereof.
- 11. Defendant WALMART employed attendants, to attend the common areas of their premises, and to assist persons lawfully using said premises and maintaining the facilities.
- 12. On or about October 2, 2019, BATES was walking in WALMART as a customer when she slipped on a food substance on the floor near the produce section of the store.
- 13. The food substance appeared to be a fruit or vegetable.
- 14. WALMART employees were located throughout the store, but none of the employees cleaned up the food substance, allowing it to remain a slipping hazard.
- 15. Alternately, WALMART employees put the food substance on the floor themselves, causing the hazard.
- 16. There were no warning signs or cones indicating that debris was on the floor.

- 17. Defendants knew or should have known that there was a food substance on the floor and that it was a hazard to invitees.
- 18. There were no caution signs or warnings of anything on the floor.
- 19. There were no warnings that the floor was in an unsafe or slippery condition.
- 20. Plaintiff has suffered physical injuries as a result of the fall, including damage to her head, extremities, upper and lower back, abdomen and knees. As a result of the incident, Plaintiff has suffered pain and has lost mobility. Plaintiff continues to suffer and will suffer pain from the injuries in the incident.
- 21. Plaintiff has incurred medical expenses in excess of \$55,000.00 as a result of the fall and incurred damages in excess of \$75,000.
- 22. Plaintiff suffered economic losses and adverse employment effects from the incident.

FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Negligence)

- 23. Plaintiff hereby repeats and alleges all previous paragraphs, as though fully set forth herein.
- 24. Plaintiff fell as aforesaid, by reason of the negligence of the Defendants in failing to clean and keep dry the grounds of said premises of said corporate defendant; in maintaining said floor in a condition dangerous to the life and limb of persons lawfully using same, in that they failed to clean the floor of debris; in maintaining said floor in a slippery condition, dangerous to the life and limb of persons using the same; in failing to use proper cleaning and maintenance standards, and to exercise proper care, or to remedy the slippery condition of the floor to the aforesaid premises with protective strips, coatings or warning signs and cones.
- 25. Defendants failed to maintain the floor of their facility in reasonably safe condition for use.
- 26. Defendants knew or should have known about the condition of the floor.
- 27. Defendants knew that broken merchandise, employees or other invitees of WALMART may cause debris or fluids to fall onto the floor and cause a danger to Plaintiff that was foreseeable.
- 28. Alternately, WALMART knew that employees may leave the floor in a wet or unsafe condition due to liquids and/or debris.

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- 29. Defendants and its attendants failed to take reasonable precautions against the foreseeable dangerous condition caused by employees or other invitees.
- 30. Defendants failed to exercise due care for the safety of the Plaintiff or other patrons or employees of the WALMART on the premises.
- Upon information and belief, Defendants knew of prior incidents of similar dangerous 31. conditions of liquids or slick substances on the floors being caused on the premises by other persons, or by broken merchandise, and the Defendant had notice or knowledge of those incidents.
- The doctrine of res ipsa loquitur is applicable to Plaintiff's action against Defendants herein, in that at the time that Plaintiff fell, the floor was under the exclusive control of Defendants. If Defendants had cleaned or maintained the floor with reasonable care, instead of in a negligent manner, then, in the ordinary course, Plaintiff would not have fallen as alleged herein.
- As a result of Defendants' negligence, Plaintiff has suffered physical and emotional pain. 33.
- As such, Defendant is responsible for damages in excess of \$15,000.00. 34.
- Because of Defendants' acts or omissions, Plaintiff has been required to incur further 35. attorneys' fees and costs in bringing this action and request that the Court grant said fees and costs.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff is entitled to judgment in his favor and against Defendants, jointly and severally, as follows:

- 1. For judgment in an amount in excess of \$15,000.00;
- 2. For all costs and all attorneys' fees incurred and accrued in these proceedings;
- 3. For interest thereon at the legal rate until paid in full; and
- 4. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Dated December 30, 2020.

RYAN ALEXANDER, CHTD.

Nevada Bar No. 10845 Attorney for Plaintiff

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DISTRICT COURT CIVIL COVER SHEET

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	(Assigned by Clerk's	Office)		<u>Department 4</u>	
I. Party Information (provide both ho	me and mailing addresses if different)	D. C 1.			
Plaintiff(s) (name/address/phone):		Detendar	nt(s) (name/address/phone):		
Cynthia Jones-Bates			Wal-Mart Stores Inc.		
			C/O Corporation Trust Co. of Nevad	<u>a</u>	
			701 S. Carson St. #200		
<u> </u>			Carson City, NV 89701		
Attorney (name/address/phone): ,		Attorney	(name/address/phone):	,	
Ryan Alexander, Esq. NV Bar No. 10845					
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II. Nature of Controversy (please s	elect the one most applicable filing type	below)			
Civil Case Filing Types					
Real Property			Torts		
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Unlawful Detainer	Auto		Product Liability		
Other Landlord/Tenant	Premises Liability		Intentional Misconduct		
Title to Property	Other Negligence		Employment Tort		
Judicial Foreclosure	Malpractice		Insurance Tort		
Other Title to Property	Medical/Dental		Other Tort		
Other Real Property	Legal				
Condemnation/Eminent Domain	Accounting				
Other Real Property	Other Malpractice				
Probate	Construction Defect & Contr	ract	Judicial Review/Appeal		
Probate (select case type and estate value)	Construction Defect		Judicial Review		
Summary Administration	Chapter 40		Foreclosure Mediation Case		
General Administration	Other Construction Defect		Petition to Seal Records		
Special Administration	Contract Case		Mental Competency		
Set Aside	Uniform Commercial Code	,	Nevada State Agency Appeal		
Trust/Conservatorship	Building and Construction		Department of Motor Vehicle		
Other Probate	Insurance Carrier		Worker's Compensation		
Estate Value	Commercial Instrument		Other Nevada State Agency		
Over \$200,000	Collection of Accounts		Appeal Other		
Between \$100,000 and \$200,000	Employment Contract		Appeal from Lower Court		
Under \$100,000 or Unknown	Other Contract		Other Judicial Review/Appeal		
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Suite 1	Defendants.					
3017 WEST CHARLESTON BOULEVARD SUITE 10, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89102						
	Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes, Chapter 19, filing fees are submitted herewith for parties					
I KESTO	appearing in the above-entitled action as indicated below:					
T CHAR	CYNTHIA JONES-BATES	\$ 270.00 \$ 270.00				
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